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Recording Salaries and Benefits

Salary expenditures are generally more efficiently posted by total from the payroll payment order, or a similarly titled listing, which is an itemized, detailed list of individual salaries for a particular payroll. A summary of amounts to be charged to the various expenditure classifications is needed for this procedure. (See the "California School District Payroll Payment Order" on page 402–4.)

In rare situations, such as in the accounting of salaries for a one- or two-teacher school, individual salaries paid might be entered directly in the General Journal.

Preparing the journal entry. The journal entry to record payroll payments lists the General Ledger and subsidiary ledger accounts and the amounts for each, as shown in the following example:

Date	Accou	nt Debit	Credit
7-31-92	9850 9110	——————————————————————————————————————	\$40,275.00
Accou	ınt	Appropriation	
110	0	Teachers' Salaries	\$32,000.00
120	0	School Administrators' Salaries	1,600.00
130	0	Supervisors' Salaries	2,000.00
160	0	Physical and Mental Health Salaries	125.00
180	0	Other Administrative Salaries	800.00
220	0	Administrative Salaries	250.00
230	0	Clerical Salaries	650.00
240	0	Maintenance and Operations Salaries	2,850.00
			\$40,275.00
		To record expenditures for payroll listing number 1 for July 1992	

Posting the General Ledger. The journal entry for payroll expenditures is posted to the General Ledger in the same manner as previous entries, as shown in the following example:

7-31-92	J	\$40,275.00		\$40,275.00	Dr
Date	Reference	Debit	Credit	Balance	Dr/Cr
Account 98	50	Expenditures			Page 1

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Account 9	110	Cash in County	Page 1		
Date	Reference	Debit	Credit	Balance	Dr/Cr
7-1-92 7-1-92	J1 J	\$100,042.67	\$40,275.00	\$100,042.67 59,767.67	Dr Dr

Note that the posting to the cash account is a credit entry that deducts from the previous balance to give a new debit balance of \$59,767.67.

Posting the Appropriation Ledger. Entries in the subsidiary Appropriation Ledger are made in the "Expended" column in each case, as shown in the following example:

Appropriation Ledger

7-1-92 7-31-92 7-31-92	J14 J18 J	\$360,000.00 360,000.00 360,000.00	\$ 3,400.00 -32,000.00	\$359,200.00 327,200.00 327,200.00	\$32,000.00	\$32,000.00	\$ 800.00 32,800.00 800.00	
Date	Refer- ence		Encumbrances	Encumbered to Date	Expended	Expended to Date	Unen- cumbered Balance	
Account 1100			Teacher's Salaries				Page 1	

Note that the "Appropriation," "Encumbered to date," and "Expended to date" columns are carried forward with each posting.

Entries in the Program Ledger are posted by object classification in the appropriate columns in the program ledgers and then subtotaled on the object of expenditure card in the Appropriation Ledger.

The total postings to the Program Ledger for the object classification (Teachers' Salaries) will amount to \$32,000, which can be subtotaled in the Appropriation Ledger. (See "Program Ledger, Program A" on page 402-4.)

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California School District Payroll Payment Order					
Employee name	Warrant number	Occupation or title	Expenditure classification	Period ending	
Abbott, Ellen Adams, George. Allen, Rose. Arnold, Robert. Ashworth, James Bailey, John Banner, Roger. Boyd, Alice. Brown, Thomas Carter, Mabel Cross, Arthur. Curran, Jane	2200 2201 2202 2203 2204 2205 2206 2207 2208 2209 2210 2211	Teacher Custodian Teacher Teacher Assistant Superintendent Teacher Principal Secretary Teacher Teacher Custodian Teacher	2400 1100 1100 1700 1100 1200 2300 1100 1100 2400	7-31-92	
Totals Expenditure classification sur	mmary		1100 1200 1700 2300 2400	7-31-92 7-31-92	

^{*}Totals are for demonstration purposes only; columns do not foot.

Program Ledger, Program A

Account

			Encumbrances	Certificated salaries and	Classified salaries and
Date	Reference	Description	Reserved Cancelled	benefits	benefits
7-1-92	J3	Budget appropriation (may	(Optional)	\$32,700	\$4,300
7-31-92	PJ	be memorandum only) July payroll—teachers' salaries		1,800	

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Califo	California School District Payroll Payment Order (Continued)					
Gross earnings	Social security	Retirement	Withholding tax	Other	Net pay	
\$500.00 350.00 475.00 550.00 900.00 580.00 750.00 300.00 530.00 500.00 375.00 475.00	\$ 9.00 7.50 10.00	\$40.00 21.00 35.00 48.00 70.00 50.00 62.00 16.00 45.00 42.00 22.50 38.00	\$80.00 18.00 68.00 60.00 150.00 75.00 90.00 21.00 61.00 65.00 12.00 60.00	\$21.00 12.00 16.50 25.00 28.00 22.50 26.00 12.00 18.00 24.00 18.50 21.00	\$359.00 290.00 355.50 417.00 652.00 432.50 572.00 243.50 406.00 360.00 312.00 355.50	
\$6,285.00* 3,610.00 750.00 900.00 300.00 725.00 6,285.00	\$26.50*	490.00*	\$760.00*	\$244.50*	\$4,764.00*	

Program Ledger, Program A (Continued)

Page 1 Appropriation: \$32,000.00

Books, supplies, and equipment replacement	Contracted services and other	Capitol outlay	Available balance	Direct support charges
\$2,500	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$32,000 30,200	\$1,600

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